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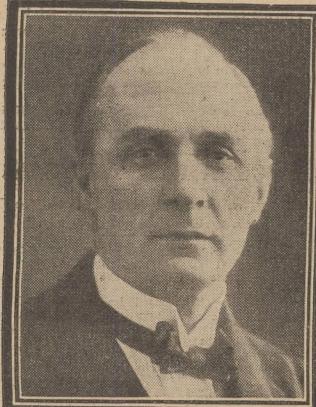
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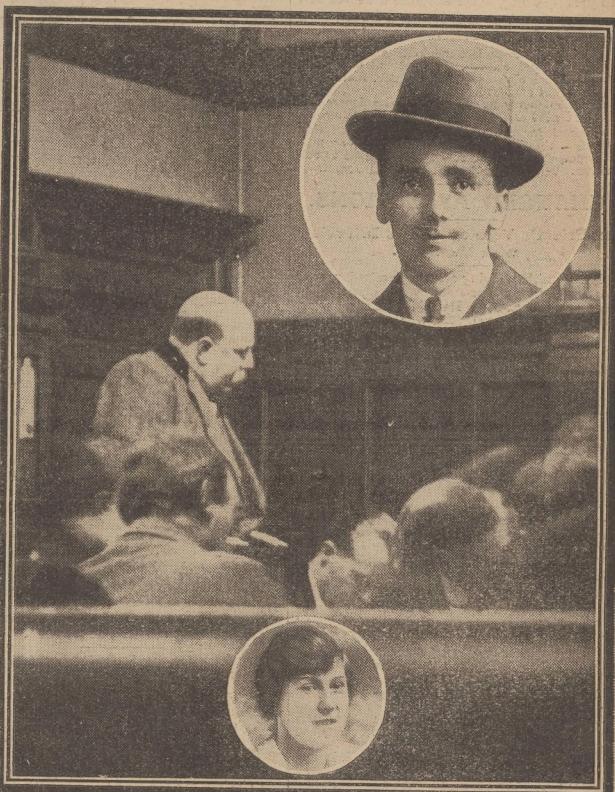
Major J. W. Hills, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who, an agency states, will probably stand for Edge Hill, Liverpool, where Sir Watson Rutherford, Conservative, is expected to retire.

K.C. FINED



Sir E. Hume-Williams, K.C., who was fined 10s. at Worthing yesterday for driving a motor-car without an off-side front light. He said he did not know it was necessary with headlights.

TAXI MURDER CHARGE



EX-PRIEST'S DIVORCE EVIDENCE



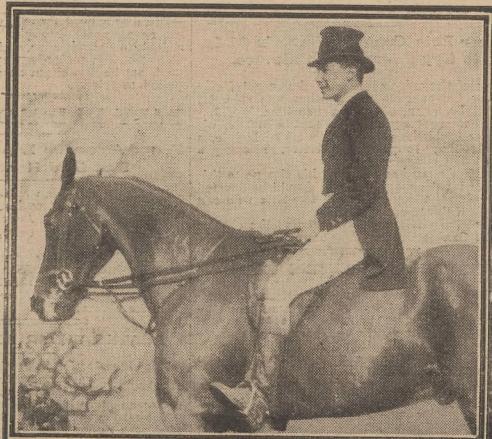
Mr. Francis Patrick Hamilton (left), an ex-priest, gave evidence yesterday in the case in which the King's Proctor alleges that Mr. G. A. H. Lantberry connived at the misconduct of his wife (right) with Mr. Hamilton.



Mr. Cheshire, the dead girl's father, gave evidence.

On the charge of murdering Alice Cheshire, the girl of twenty-two who was found dying in a taxi cab outside Vine-street Police Station, Bernard Pomroy, her former lover, was yesterday committed for trial.

HOW THEY TAKE A FALL IN THE SHIRES



Captain Michael Wardell, of the 10th Hussars, snapped just after a fall from his hunter when out with the Quorn. He looks much less forlorn than his hat.

"ACT OF GOD" INJURY?



Mr. Ernest Upton, who yesterday claimed damages for personal injury inflicted aboard a steamer during a storm. The defendants, the G.W.R. Company, pleaded that it was an "act of God."

ANGLO-FRENCH RUHR CONFERENCE IN LONDON TO-DAY

Paris Request to Use Railways in British Zone at Cologne to Transport Coal.

M. LE TROCQUER'S MISSION TO GOVERNMENT

Plan for New Currency in Occupied Territory Guaranteed by Magnates' Wealth.

Important developments are expected to-day in connection with the British policy of abstention from the Ruhr occupation.

M. Le Trocquer (Minister of Public Works) and General Pavot are to confer with the Government regarding the utilisation by France of the railways in the British zone at Cologne to transport coal.

France and Belgium are considering the new step of issuing a special currency in the occupied territory, guaranteed by the wealth of the truculent industrialists.

Mr. Bonar Law's hint at mediation is not totally rejected in Paris, but stress is laid on the point that German trickery and resistance must be conquered before new negotiations with Berlin are attempted.

ENVOYS OF M. POINCARÉ COME TO SEE PREMIER.

Will Cabinet Agree to Aid French Railway Plans?

MORE SABOTAGE PENALTIES.

M. Le Trocquer, the French Minister of Works, and General Payot left Paris yesterday for London, where, says the Central News, they will to-day confer with members of the British Government regarding the proposed utilisation of the railways in the British zone at Cologne.

M. Theunis, the Belgian Prime Minister, is, cables Reuter, expected to go to Paris for a conference with M. Poincaré to discuss the introduction of a special currency for occupied Germany, which Belgium is advocating.

The Journal understands that the Banque de France is in a position to give speedy effect to any decision to put a new paper currency, secured on the wealth of the Ruhr, into circulation.

The Matin (quoted by Reuter) says that, following the refusal of the municipality of Cologne to pay the fine of 100,000,000 marks levied by the French in connection with the shooting of two French gendarmes, General Degoutte has had the leading bank officials of the town arrested.

Six police officers involved in the case will be court-martialled. They are liable to the death sentence.

Altogether, the French Foreign Office states, thirty-two residents of Gelsenkirchen have been arrested.

MORE PENALTIES.

It is stated in French circles at Gelsenkirchen, wires Reuter, that very heavy penalties are to be imposed in consequence of the acts of sabotage interfering with direct telegraph and telephone communication with Paris.

Similarly, heavy penalties are assigned to the town of Bochum on account of the refusal of the authorities to allow the requisition of automobiles and the threat that if any cars were requisitioned the chauffeurs would be murdered.

Up to the present 140 cars have been taken over by the French, who are paying the chauffeurs thirty-five francs daily.

Mark Revival.—The most notable movement in foreign exchanges yesterday was a substantial recovery in German marks to 112,500 to the pound (468 a penny). French francs depreciated to 77.40.

Cabinet Considers Ruhr.—A meeting of the British Cabinet was held at 10, Downing-street yesterday, when the Ruhr and Near East problems were considered.

ENGLISHWOMAN'S HOMAGE.

Touching Gift to M. Poincaré to Show Britain and France Are United.

PARIS, Wednesday.

A letter which M. Poincaré has received from Mme. Cremer, an Englishwoman by birth married to a French official in the Sarre territory, is published.

Mme. Cremer, who served with a French hospital unit during the war and who has been decorated with the Croix de Guerre, enclosed with her letter to the French Prime Minister a sum of money for French funds describing it as "a drop in the ocean of French needs."

She declared that the British nation surely wished to show Germany and all the world that France and Britain remained united in peace as in war.

Also that English people were anxious to merit the title of wives, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and children of the men who gave everything, without ever counting the price.

The letter concludes with a tribute to M. Poincaré for all that he is doing for France.—Reuter.

FRANCE DETERMINED TO END GERMAN TRICKERY.

Ambassador Justifies Force As the Only Way.

INDUSTRIALIST DICTATORS.

France has decided that the German magnates have foisted her long enough, and that they shall be compelled to pay the tax which they are now slaving and leaving to be borne by the working-classes of Germany."

So said the French Ambassador to Britain in a notable speech yesterday to the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce.

France, after four years, had received from Germany practically nothing, while during this period she had had to advance Germany over 1,000,000,000 francs.

It was an incredible and scandalous paradox that France had been obliged to become the banker of her aggressor, whose productive power has been retained intact.

Some newspapers in this country declared that Britain, under similar circumstances, would have acted differently. He quite agreed. Britain would have acted more firmly and more quickly.

PLOTTING REVENGE.

The industrial magnates were the real masters of Germany. They had a double object—to avoid payment of reparations and to acquire wealth in order to prepare military and economic revenge.

It was a cunning scheme which involved that France would be so crushed by the burden of her debt that she could not resist a new German aggression.

Although France decided to go into the Ruhr and, to occupy the stronghold of the defaulting country, she desired peace as much as any other country, but she had learned by bitter experience that the Germans, and their great industrialists, in particular, would obey only force.

If Britain, whose prestige stood so high in the world, would consent to give her co-operation the achievement of the common task would be greatly facilitated.

PARIS ADVICE TO PREMIER.

German Resistance Can Be Broken If Britain Would Help.

PARIS, Wednesday.

In their reports of yesterday's opening of Parliament in London nearly all the newspapers singled out for special comment the passage in the King's Speech: "My Government, while feeling it would be wrong to concur or participate in this operation [in the Ruhr] are acting in such a way as not to add to the difficulties of their Allies."

Generally, credit is given to Mr. Bonar Law for the cordiality of his tone towards France, but it is regretted that he should have "failed entirely to appreciate the true situation in which the German attitude has placed her."

The *Paris* *Journal* says: "Mr. Bonar Law fears that victory under present conditions, of German resistance, will precipitate a financial catastrophe in Germany. All that Britain has to do is to break that resistance is to take her by the side."

The *Gaulois* observes: "Why should Mr. Bonar Law conclude that the withdrawal of the British troops should mean the end of the war? Notwithstanding all our efforts, events may happen that may make it indispensable for Britain to retain her garrisons on the Rhine."

The *Acte Francaise* says: "It is obvious from Mr. Bonar Law's hint that Britain is waiting her time to mediate."

If the British Government think that a time will arrive when it will be possible to apply a plan like the one that was brought to Paris in January they are making an error."—Reuter.



1923
M. Le Trocquer, French Minister of Public Works.



1923
Sir Alexander Geddes, the British Ambassador to Washington, is confined to his bed with influenza and consequently has been forced to cancel all engagements.

MAGNETIC INFLUENCE ON WOMAN PATIENT.

Inquest Story of Fatal Overdose of Drug.

CORONER'S WARNING.

Man Who Said He Could Exercise Soothing Effect.

Drugs alleged to have been supplied by a man who was called in to exercise magnetic influence for the purpose of calming a hysterical patient were mentioned at an inquest at Marylebone yesterday on Helena Betty Stroud, aged forty.

Miss Stroud, a woman of independent means, died from an overdose of a sedative at her home in Norfolk-road, St. John's Wood.

Albert Stroud, diamond merchant, of Avenue-road, Hampstead, said his sister had suffered from a painful internal malady since she was fourteen years of age.

Lillian Caan, a married sister, said that Miss Stroud was in a hysterical and depressed condition during last week.

In the hope of calming her, a man who was said to be able to exercise a magnetic influence on nervous people was asked to use his powers.

FOUND IN STUPOR.

His treatment did not seem effective, when he went away he left a small phial containing tablets of adalin, a German specific for sleeplessness.

On Saturday Miss Stroud was found lying in a stupor, from which all the efforts of the doctors failed to rouse her. She died the next day.

Otto Lenny, banker's secretary, of 67, Kensington-square, who described himself as a British subject, said that Miss Stroud was his cousin, and on one occasion last year he discovered that he was able to exercise a soothing influence over her.

Mr. Oswald (the coroner): How did you do that?

Lenny: Just by holding her hand, stroking her head and talking to her.

On Friday evening last, Lenny continued, he endeavoured to give the same treatment, but was not successful. He had on him a tube of adalin tablets, and after giving one to the patient he left the remainder with her.

The Coroner: Don't you think it was extremely rash, not to say careless, of you to leave such a drug with a woman like that?

FOOLISH ACT.

Lenny: I did not know then that her nerves had been so bad.

The Coroner: You must see how foolish it was of you to do such a thing in view of her mental and physical condition. If she were drowsy she might have taken the tablets by mistake, and, on the other hand, she might have yielded to a sudden suicidal impulse.

I realise now that it was foolish," replied Lenny.

The coroner, in recording an open verdict, said that it was impossible to conclude what motive led the unfortunate woman to take an overdose of drugs.

There was some suggestion, however, that she had taken another sleeping draught in addition to the adalin. The case was a warning to people who were not doctors not to dabble with drugs.

SUGAR PRICES SOAR.

New Rise Which Will Make Sweets Cost More.

Sugar prices yesterday underwent the sharpest rise within the memory of the oldest member of the Clyde sugar trade.

For the last week prices have been steadily advancing and to-day's rise was 6s. per cwt., owing to American pressure. Sugar, which had advanced halfpenny per pound retail, will be raised another halfpenny.

As sugar is now about 12s. above its normal price, a rise in the price of all kinds of sweets is regarded as inevitable.

SIX INCHES OF SNOW.

Winter Pays a Call in North and Midland—Anxiety for Flocks.

Snow fell yesterday in many parts of the North and Midlands. Among the districts where falls were reported were Yorkshire (north, north-east and south), the Peak district of Derbyshire and Lincolnshire.

The depth of the fall at the Peak was about six inches.

Weather Forecast.—Unsettled, with rather low temperatures except in the extreme West.

GAS POISONING TRAGEDY.

A man named Alfred Hills was found dead yesterday morning in a room on the first floor of 24, Haymarket, where he had carried on business as a hairdresser. He was seated at a table, his head resting on a cushion in an orange box to which the gas had been directed by a pipe.



Don't Roughen Your Skin with Laundry Soap

Do not ruin your complexion by using soaps that are meant for washing clothes or dishes. Your skin requires more gentle treatment.

Made for your skin

Palm and olive oils make the proper soap for the skin because these oils produce a rich creamy lather that cleanses perfectly but never irritates.

Nature's own colour
Palm and olive oils—
nothing else—give the
natural green colour
to Palmolive Soap.

The Palmolive Company
(or England, Limited,
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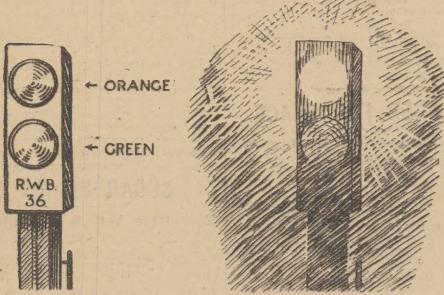
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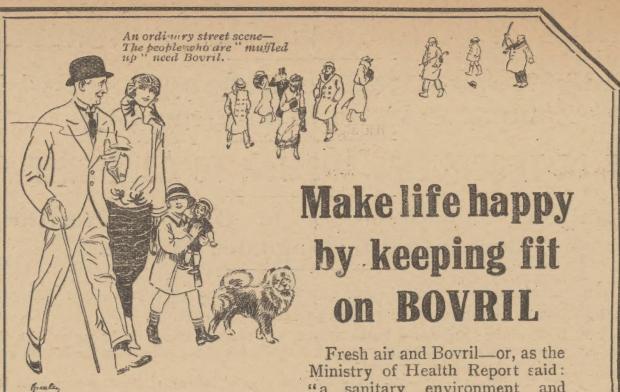
THE busy "Underground" has a task of considerable magnitude to perform in carrying London's millions from their homes to their places of business and back again. No risks can be taken and plans have to be thought out ahead to meet every sort of contingency.

For instance, there may not be more than half a dozen fogs in a year, but a special set of signals is provided throughout the system to meet the emergency when it does arise. Detonators are not found suitable for various reasons, and powerful electric lamps with coloured prismatic lenses perform the function of telling the driver whether the road in front of him is clear or not.

It is done in this way. About a hundred yards short of every ordinary "arm" signal a special signal post is placed bearing two lamps, one orange and the other green. They are just of a height to shine directly into the driver's eyes. The lamps are controlled electrically by the main signal, and work as it works. When the arm goes to "danger" the orange lamp goes "on" and when it signals "go ahead" the green light is shown.

In normal weather the lamps are not in use. There is a switch on the post which carries them, and immediately a fog occurs these lamps are turned on. They then repeat automatically with their piercing lights the message which the signalmen ordinarily convey to the drivers by raising or lowering the signal arms.

"Underground" Announcement No. 22, 1923



Make life happy by keeping fit on BOVRIL

Fresh air and Bovril—or, as the Ministry of Health Report said: "a sanitary environment and sound nutrition"—are the great safeguards of health.

Bovril not only keeps you warm and enables you to get the benefit of fresh air, but also by ensuring sound nutrition strengthens the body against the attacks of disease.

Independent scientific experiments have demonstrated that the addition of a small amount of Bovril to the ordinary diet produces an increase in body weight equal to from 10 to 20 times the amount of Bovril taken. (See diagram).

Body-Building
Power
of
BOVRIL
taken



BOVRIL

strengthens the system to resist illness.

The Millionaire who lost his health—



As with many other joys of life, Health is valued most by those who have lost it. The Millionaire who has lost good health would give a fortune to regain it: but not all his millions can buy it back.

The road to ill-health, from good health, is one of the easiest roads in the World. Just neglect, thoughtlessness—too much *sureness* of one's well-being—and the quickly-developing ills have crept in. . . . The way back is often impossible.

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This is the Andrews' preaching: *keep your Health as your most precious possession. Live carefully, watchfully, not in apprehension, but in wise guardedness. Take a good corrective just as often as your System indicates the need . . .*

And if your choice of a corrective should fall on Andrews', you have the assurance of knowing that all those folk who have made Andrews' the "Largest-Sale-Saline" have found this Andrews-taking to be a very helpful means of keeping fit.

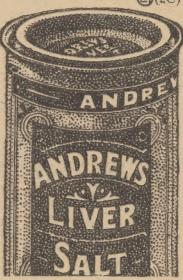
9d. USUAL 4-oz.

1/4 FAMILY 8-oz. NETT SIZE.

Sold by Grocers, Chemists and Stores.

Note:

Save your Andrews' Lids and watch our advertisements for particulars of a new scheme to take the place of the previous Andrews' Gift Scheme.



Cadbury's

KING GEORGE 1/- PER 1/4 lb

See the name "CADBURY" on every piece of Chocolate

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LONDON NIGHTS.

THE London County Council have been gravely re-considering the "Midnight Follies" and other nocturnal amusements.

One speaker advanced so far as to remark that you will "never get people in London to go to bed at 11.30 p.m."

Many of us—the hardworking sort—are only too glad to seek sleep before that hour. None the less, we are glad to see that certain members of the L.C.C. are raising their voices (in the echoing County Hall) to show that "grown-ups" won't be treated as infants, and that temperate habits are not most tactfully promoted by putting niggling restrictions upon *decent* places of entertainment.

The tendency since the war has been to hamper these reputable places by surrounding them with red-tape regulations, and then to rejoice in the illusion that, if people can't go to *them*, they will not go anywhere else.

Unfortunately what happens is that the suppression or diminution of reasonable amusement creates a demand for amusements not so innocent. And, while our moral guardians are fussing over the number of performers permitted, say, at the Hôtel Métropole, and whether such performers can perform while the audience is consuming "intoxicating drinks," hundreds of other "resorts" are surreptitiously inviting the Londoner to come where there is less fuss and more fun. A better way to improve midnight morals would be to encourage harmless recreation.

THE HAPPY ISLANDS.

SO many of us are vaguely dreaming of an ideal island to escape to, in these days, that we ought at least to understand the reluctance of the Channel Islands to respond to the Government's invitation to "make a grant in aid of Imperial funds"—in fact, to pay higher taxes.

The invitation apparently reminds the States of Guernsey and Jersey of that celebrated one from the spider to the fly. And they do not want "to walk into the parlour" of the Treasury, unless the Chancellor of the Exchequer clearly understands that they do it as favour, and of their own free will; and also that they don't intend to stay there any longer than they can possibly help.

The "grant" will be only for a period. It will be a free gift. The happy islanders base their immunity on a Charter from Queen Elizabeth.

It would have been nice had the great Queen done something of the kind for us. But she was ever in too great a need of ready cash to extend her exemptions too far. So we pay and Guernsey looks on; or says, at most, that she'll help us this once, but that we mustn't ask again.

EYES AND LIGHT.

AN alarmist has warned us that we are being driven to spectacles—even to blindness—by the immoderate use of electric light.

Must we believe this and go back to lamps, candles and rush-lights?

Always there are people who warn us thus against our "advance."

Many of them would have us tear raw meat with our teeth because (perhaps) primitive man did it. And he never had the toothache.

Did he not? Why then do early tombs contain evidence of dental decay, but not much evidence of prehistoric dentists?

Let us cheer up! There was infinitely more blindness in the days of candles than there is now; just as there was more smallpox and ague and yellow fever, with other horrid plagues. We need not condemn all our improvements because some of them are nuisances in disguise.

W. M.

THROUGH "THE MIRROR."

Do We Need Lent?—Marrying for Money—Our City Churches—The Teacher's Salary.

"THE LENTEN MOOD."

YOUR leader on the above subject is scarcely fair to the Church's teaching about Lent. The call of Lent is to self-knowledge and self-discipline, possibly to renunciation as an aid to either or both.

That the ordinary citizen does not need the call is only too true; but surely our age needs self-discipline as much as any other.

N. K. LEACH.

The Vicarage, Wainfleet St. Mary, Lincs.

I N reply to "W. M.'s" "Does the modern world need Lent?"—No! Since 1914 our life has been a continual "Renounce!"

That year my father, two brothers and husband were killed (and I was left with three tiny children), and in 1918 my fiancée was killed, and I am the support of my children and myself.

CITY CHURCHES.

I QUITELY agree with your correspondent regarding City churches.

These consecrated buildings are a solace to the lonely City worker.

One can retire within their walls, and there find rest and strength to complete the day's work.

Finsbury Park, N. 4.

INDIGNANT.

DOES IT PAY?

A S was demonstrated in a recent litigation, marrying money is not always an unimpeachable blessing. It may have been different before the Married Women's Property Act, when the husband had rights over the wife's money, but to-day there may be no financial benefit to the husband.

A few years ago a certain nobleman, who had

WHEN WE GET "MANNEQUINS" EVERYWHERE.

WE ENTER A SHOP, AND BEHOLD! —



WE GO TO A THEATRE, AND LO!



WE CAN'T GET A BIT OF FOOD, WITHOUT—



FOR ALL WE KNOW THIS HAS ALREADY HAPPENED BETWEEN MATCHES AT TENNIS TOURNAMENTS —



THE FIRST TEE WON'T BE SAFE SHORTLY —



AND A MARCH OF MANNEQUINS IN THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW IS SURE TO COME.



In Paris the big dressmakers are organising receptions for the display of the latest fashions. Soon these enticing "models" will stray into every department of modern life.

I pass gaily-decked shops and long to purchase dainty clothing and food for my children, and wonder how long must this struggle continue.

How many hundreds of young widows suffer thus!

The present-day world does not need Lent. For each day of the whole year is a day of renunciation.

A CAPTAIN'S WIDOW.

W HETHER women teachers will retain their appointments or whether they will have to resign after marriage is a problem still hotly debated.

Surely nothing more unfair than the latter alternative can be imagined.

It is untrue to say that she would give less attention to her official work; and is not a mother more likely to know the needs and mentality of children than a spinster?

A MARRIED WOMAN.

IN MY GARDEN.

FEB. 14.—The most popular garden anemones are the varieties of the species *japonica*. These make a fine show during the autumn months.

The hepaticas are already beginning to bloom. These old English flowers should be set on shady banks and rockeries, and must be seldom disturbed.

E. F. T.

NEED ANYONE BE LONELY IN LONDON?

COMPLAINTS OF FRIENDLESS WORKING WOMEN.

By HENRY DEVON.

ONCE more the air is full of complaints of the loneliness of the women who come to London as strangers to earn their living. We are asked to picture them moping through long evenings in dull bed-sitting-rooms. It has even been suggested that they should seek relief from boredom by reading Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" from cover to cover.

It is a great book as well as a long one. There is something very soothng in the beautiful cadences of its stately prose. Yet its appeal is to men rather than to women; and I am quite sure that the mentor who proposed its perusal to the average girl as a substitute for that "young and musical society" of which we read in the advertisements of the people who desire to take paying guests would be less likely to be thanked than to be accused of mocking at her distress.

And rightly so, for the evil which Gibbon is called in to alleviate is quite a trivial if not altogether an imaginary one which the sensible and resourceful can easily remove without falling back upon any such desperate remedy.

It is a common assumption, in print, that the choice of a young woman who comes to London without "introductions" lies between making disreputable acquaintances and making no acquaintances at all.

That assumption simply is not true.

THE SOCIAL SPIRIT.

Indeed, it is so far from the truth that one may fairly describe it as "stuff and nonsense."

In the first place, a girl who comes to London to work can hardly fail to make acquaintances in the act of working.

She does not earn her living by picking oakum in a cell. She earns it by performing functions of some sort in an office, in the midst of other girls, and, probably, of men.

For a little while she may feel shy.

It may take her a few weeks to settle down and find her level. But she must be a strangely timorous and unsociable creature if she makes no friend whom she would like to see out of office hours, and whose acquaintance will presently prove to be the nucleus of a fairly wide social circle.

Nor is that her only line of approach towards an ampler and more social life.

Whatever her social standing, she will find, if she looks about her, all kinds of clubs and societies to which it is quite easy to obtain admission.

If she is eligible for election to one of the well-known women's clubs, so much the better. If she is not, she can join some less important association in which she will feel more at home.

Her tastes, talents and opportunities may guide her choice.

Her appointed haven may be a debating society, or a choral society, or a tennis club, or the Young Women's Christian Association; and in any one of these havens for the friendless she will soon make friends and escape from the trying ordeal of "only evening in a bed-sitting-room."

Instead of wasting pity on her, therefore, let us exhort her to study the art of living and avail herself of opportunities which are provided for her in abundance.

TIR'D-OUT WOMEN.

What They Need to Restore Vitality.

The woman who feels tired out, who aches all over when she rises in the morning, who feels depressed most of her time, needs just the help that Dr. Williams' "pink pills" will give her—new life, blood and stronger nerves.

The number of disorders caused by thin blood is amazing, and most women are careless about the condition of their blood. Their nerves are quickly affected, and they become irritable; they worry over trifles, and do not obtain refreshing sleep. There may be stomach trouble and headaches. This is the condition that calls for Dr. Williams' "pink pills," the blood-making and nerve-restoring tonic.

Give Dr. Williams' pink pills a trial, and the first sign of new life will soon be noticed by your increased appetite. You will be hungry at meal times. As your blood becomes enriched, it feeds and soothes the irritated nerves; sleep becomes sounder and more refreshing, your worries diminish and your work seems lighter.

Every girl and woman should read the booklet "Nature's Warnings" which will be sent free of charge to all who write to Booklet Dept., 35, Fitzroy Square, London, W.1.

Begin to get well by starting Dr. Williams' pink pills now! Of chemists; or direct from address above, 3s. 6d. per box, post free. Good for men and women too.—(Advt.)

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women and Affairs in General



Lieut.-Gen. Sir Hugh S. Jeudwine, K.C.B., who has been appointed Director-General of the Territorial Army.



Miss Edith Evans, who will play the leading female role in Caradoc Evans' play of Welsh village life entitled "Taffy."

GERMANY WEAKENS.

Notes from Paris—A Great Surgeon—Striking Welsh Play.

A WELL-KNOWN POLITICIAN who recently went to Paris to investigate the Ruhr question said on his return that in the highest quarters it was not expected that Germany would yield to the new pressure in less than three months. He now tells me that he hears from Paris that the Germans will probably give way in a much shorter time than French statesmen at first thought. France has Germany by the hip!

The Prince and Easton Grey.

The Prince of Wales has extended his tenancy of Easton Grey for another three weeks so as to enjoy some of the hill hunting. Owing to this rough hill country the Duke of Beaufort's hounds are able to carry on hunting later than is the case with most packs.

Prominent Peer.

Lord Hastings, who seconded the Address in the Lords at the opening of Parliament, is a well-known Norfolk landlord, and is closely related, through his mother, to another big Norfolk family—the Suffields. He has been much in the royal entourage, for his aunts include Lady Lincolnshire, Lady Hillingdon and Lady Keppel.

The Ancient Fast.

Lent is regarded as a distinctively Christian institution, but in Puritan Scotland it was observed, not from religious motives, but because beef and mutton were regarded as being out of season at this period. Sir James Frazer has suggested that Lent may be "the continuation, under a thin disguise, of a period of temperance which was annually observed from superstitious motives by Italian farmers long before the Christian era."

Longest Play.

A new play put on at the Odéon, the Paris State theatre, has broken a record for length. It is a new version of "The Tragedy of Tristan and Isolde," by two modern French playwrights. There are twenty-one scenes, and the performance lasts over four and a half hours. After the first matinee the artists had not time to dine before starting the evening performance.

Senator Gogarty.

I hear that Senator Dr. Oliver St. John Gogarty has decided to practice his profession in London. The Senator is a distinguished Irish surgeon. Some weeks ago he made a very daring escape from armed Republicans who kidnapped him.

In Three Reigns.

Sir Frederick Treves, who is spending the winter at Mentone, is seventy-to-day. He has doctoring Royalty during three reigns, having first been appointed to the Court as Surgeon Extraordinary by Queen Victoria. Sir Frederick has also made a reputation as an author. Besides his professional writings he has written some very interesting books on travel, including his "Rivers of the Corniche Road" and "The Lake Geneva," which have attracted much attention.

"Dry" Eloquence.

Sir Frederick Treves, the surgeon who performed the operation for appendicitis on King Edward VII., and it was after this that he received his baronetcy. He is a vigorous speaker, and has appeared on many platforms, especially those from which he has been able to denounce alcohol. He once startled the medical profession by saying that it was no place for geniuses, who, one gathered, ought to be placed either in a home or exhibition!



Sir Frederick Treves.

Deeds, Not Talk.

Liberal unity has produced an amendment to the Address urging that the council of the League of Nations should be invited to appoint a commission of experts to report on the capacity of Germany to pay reparations and the best methods of effecting such payment. When I reflect upon the number of conferences that have been held since the Armistice and the considered pronouncements of experts on this very question I find it difficult to believe that nowadays anyone can have serious belief in the efficacy of organised talks on the subject of reparations. The only way is France's way. And France is winning.

From My Diary.

Make not the consequence of Virtue the ends thereof.—Sir Thomas Browne.

No Houses for Foreigners.

English residents of Paris are much alarmed over a proposal that is the outcome of the flat famine. It is that foreigners from countries with a high exchange—British, Americans, Swiss, Scandinavians and Spaniards—should not be allowed to rent flats (except in special circumstances); but should be forced to live in hotels. The complaint is that the wealthy foreigner outbids the French flat seeker and is the cause of exorbitant rentals.

Woman Play Producer.

The woman theatrical producer is making her appearance in the West End, the latest being Miss Louise Hampton, who is producing "Lavender Ladies," for the Repertory Players, at the Strand Theatre on the 25th.

Miss Christine Silver, Miss Cicely Oates and Miss Olga Lindo have leading parts, while Miss May Kendal (here with), who played the lead in "Advertising April" in Birmingham, is also in the cast.

Carte Blanche!

"Carte Blanche" is to be the title of the new intimate review in which Tubby Edlin, Odette Myrtil and the Two Bobs are to appear at the Court Theatre at an early date. Other interesting theatrical items are the engagement of Norah Blaney and Gwen Farrar for "Rats," the new Charlot revue, and the forthcoming visit to London of M. Louis Verneuil, the French author of "The Love Habit."

Impromptu Operations.

Reading of the American surgeon who saved a woman's life by an operation performed with a safety razor blade, I am reminded that one of the most distinguished of Irish surgeons similarly, at a dinner party, saved the life of a fellow guest, who had almost choked himself with a fishbone, by a rapid operation with a pocket-knife and a toothpick. He was an unknown man at the time. The next morning he woke up and found himself famous.

Duchess as Farmer.

Amongst well-known society people who are now in town are the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, who intend to stay until about the end of March. Most of their time is spent at Blenheim, where the tall fair Duchess takes a great interest in the farming of her husband's huge estate. The Duchess, who was Miss Gladys Deacon, an American heiress, is noted for her beauty and for her perfect taste in clothes.

Passion Players for America.

America has at last succeeded in persuading the Ober-Ammergau Passion Players to cross the ocean, and I hope that when they land they will meet the American journalist who, in the early days of the war, disseminated the calumnious report that the Christus of the play was distinguishing himself as the commander of a company of machine gunners.

Wren Anniversary.

On the 25th of this month will be celebrated the 200th anniversary of the death of Sir Christopher Wren. Wren's masterpiece is, of course, St. Paul's Cathedral, but he covered London with churches, many of which have long since disappeared, while others appear to be doomed. But Hampton Court Palace and Greenwich Hospital are likely to survive the rage of the iconoclasts.

Mary Pickford Again.

Those two "big noises" of the film world, Charlie, Chaplin and Mary Pickford, have been very quiet lately, and with the exception of the comedian's reported engagement to Pola Negri, nothing has happened to disturb the world's equilibrium. I now hear from Miss Pickford that she has completed "Tess of the Storm Country." She did this picture once before about seven years ago, but I hear from those who have seen the picture in America that Mary has been a big success in her latest effort.

Side Whiskers.

King Edward used to be the arbiter of Paris male fashions. Now it is King Alfonso of Spain. As soon as he set the fashion for side whiskers the leisured youth of Paris followed his example, and now two out of every three at fashionable assemblies sport "sideboards."

Play by Caradoc Evans.

I have been getting a glimpse of the rehearsals of "Taffy," a play by Caradoc Evans which will be produced at a matinee performance at the Prince of Wales' Theatre on February 26. It is a comedy of Welsh village life, and it does not spare the feelings of the Welsh, albeit Mr. Evans here deals with the lighter side of the backslidings of the Cardiganshire peasant. It is certainly a most original work, and will provide London with a new dramatic sensation.

Another "Playboy"?

Evans will be remembered as the writer of those remarkable stories of Welsh character, "My People" and "Capel Sion." The author in consequence is not exactly loved in his native country, and his play will possibly be regarded in Wales much as Synge's "Playboy of the Western World" is regarded in Ireland. But in London we are interested in Evans' productions simply as works of art, and there are some critics who compare him with De Maupassant and the greatest of the Russian story writers.



Marguerite Namara, soloist for the tour of the "Aladdin in the Hall" Opera, is the wife of Guy Bolton, the dramatic author.



Countess of Lichfield, the beautiful wife of the Earl of Lichfield, is the wife of Evelyn Maud Pepple. She has three children.

Public Speaking.

Since the elections, when the need for clear, "telling" women speakers became evident, a large number of women are anxious to become competent speakers. I note a general feeling that to take the chair ably or propose votes of thanks gracefully should be a quality possessed by all people in public life. Classes, I hear, are arranged by the British Women's Patriotic League,

Lady Rhondda—Siffluse!

Among eloquent speakers is Lady Rhondda, who has a less-known gift for whistling. Generally, as she walks downstairs from her office, where she is a busy worker, she whistles merrily, and the clear, pleasant tones are heard till she disappears into her car.

Bubbling at the Brim!

A French critic in *L'Europe Nouvelle*, lavishing enthusiastic praise on Keats' "Ode to the Nightingale," produces this delightful variant of a familiar line:—

For a baker full of the warm South! Lucky his wife who hastens to assure his French reader that the line is "absolutely untranslatable!"

A Cut at the Whip.

This trouble in one camp of the Liberal Whips recalls how Palmerston once summed up the qualifications necessary for success in the important parliamentary post. "A good Whip," he said, "must be one who can say in a gentlemanly fashion the things no gentleman would say."

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'CENTIPEDE' RIVALS IN THE SNOW



Rival bobsledding teams lined up for the start of a race in Canada, where winter and winter sports are "going strong." Twenty a side, the crews call to mind the appearance of centipedes, more usually associated with warmer climes.



A DÉBUTANTE'S GOWN.—This charming white satin gown by Adele de Paris is prettily trimmed with beads.—*(Daily Mirror photograph.)*

FIRST DAY OF LENT RACES AT



A remarkably fine picture of the competing crews rounding the famous Grassy Corner, on the C. began at Cambridge. In the foreground Trinity Hall III. is seen bumping Jesus IV



A. P. Turner, acting locomotive inspector, one of the officers killed in a railway collision at Retford, Nottinghamshire. He lived at Doncaster.



Mr. H. H. Pease, who proposes to take the title of Lord Daryngton, the ancient name of Darlington, for which he sat in Parliament.



TOWELLING BEARS.—Two remarkably life-like Polar bears, made almost entirely of towelling and displayed at Messrs. Harrods. One stands 20ft. high.



GAS EXPLOSION HAVOC.—Scene of the gas explosion at Everton, by which one man was killed and eight persons were injured. Inset, John Murphy, who was first on the scene and rescued a woman. Among the crowd police are removing two injured.



WATERLOO CUP DRAW.—Left to right: Duke of Leeds, Earl of Sefton, Mr. Michael Hearne and Mr. Mugleston at the dinner after the Waterloo Cup draw at Liverpool. See page 16.



MOTHER'S INTERESTS HIS.—Miss Sybil Thorne-dike (Mrs. Lewis Casson) and her son John both engrossed in the model stage which he has made.

CAMBRIDGE

BECKETT'S INJURY

VALENTINE'S DAY REFLECTIONS



Joe Beckett, who has been compelled to postpone a second time his boxing contest with Dick Smith, owing to a damaged left hand, having the injury attended to by Mr. Frank Matthews, the bonesetter.

... when the Lent bumping races
swain signals defeat.



Divorce Suit.—The Hon. Mrs. Fullerton has filed a petition for the annulment of her marriage with Mr. J. R. R. Fullerton, 19th Hussars.



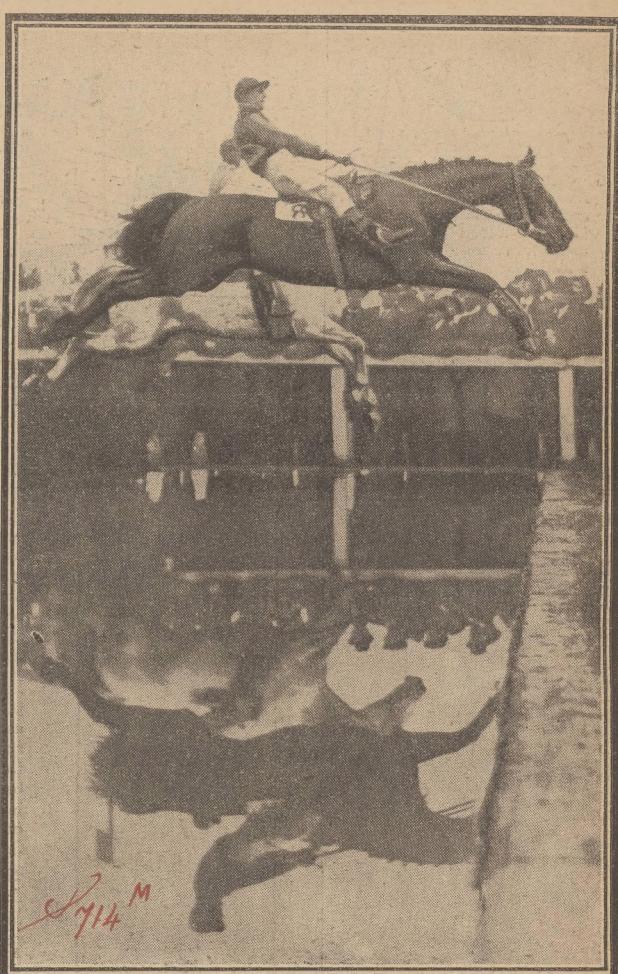
Lieutenant Oskar Omdal, the Norwegian aviator, is reported to have stated that with—



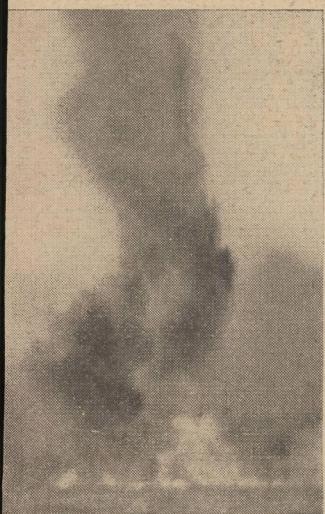
Captain Roald Amundsen, the discoverer of the South Pole, will set out in his plane for the North Pole at the end of next June. They hope to land at Spitzbergen.



COMING OF AGE.—Lady Ursula Grosvenor, elder daughter of the Duke of Westminster, whose coming of age is to be celebrated next Wednesday.



A study in reflections provided by Mr. T. Davidson's Fugo at the water jump in the St. Valentine's Handicap Steeplechase at Windsor yesterday. Sir Hedworth Meux' White Surrey, the winner, is in the background.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



DURNE'S "BIG BANGS."—The mine-layer Ariadne, sunk near Eastbourne, being destroyed by a series of mine explosions which watchers from the front find very spectacular.



TAXI MURDER CHARGE.—Mr. H. R. Goulding, taxi-cab driver, giving evidence at Marlborough-street yesterday, when Bernard Powroy (inset) was committed for trial on the charge of murdering Alice Cheshire (also inset), the girl who was found dying in a taxi-cab outside Vine-street Police Station.



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Another portion of the chariot being brought forth.



TREASURES OF THE TOMB.—The gilded chariot of King Tutankhamen, studded with precious stones, being carried out of the tomb in the Valley of the Kings, near Luxor.



There is always a hearty laugh—

"DIANA OF THE DESERT."

Miss Gertrude Lowthian Bell, who has had a remarkable career in the Near East. Appointed Oriental secretary to the Arab Bureau during the war, she now occupies the position of Oriental secretary to the High Commissioner.



TRUE TO NAME.—Millhills Bullion, a shorthorn bull which fetched 3,500 guineas, the highest price at the second day of the Perth sales.

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FAVOURITE BEATEN ON FIRST DAY OF WATERLOO CUP

Viscount Molyneux (A), Miss Marjoribanks, Lord Tweedmouth's daughter (B), Lord Lonsdale (C) and Earl of Sefton (D).

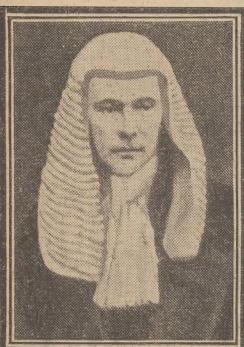


Ditton Dispute, beaten in second round.

At the opening of the Waterloo Cup coursing meeting at Altcar yesterday the favourite, Mr. J. White's Woon, was beaten by Lattron, from Lord Lonsdale's kennels, but nominated by the Duke of Leeds.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



Mutt's Brother and Hidden Screw.



The Earl of Halsbury was one of the newly-appointed K.C.s sworn in yesterday.



Mr. Harold Claughton Scott (centre), Mr. Rayner Goddard and (inset) Sir Harold Smith, outside the House of Lords.



TO-NIGHT'S BOXING MATCH.—Kid Lewis, who is to meet Roland Todd (inset) in a boxing contest at the Albert Hall to-night. Genuine photographs will be published in the late editions of *The Daily Mirror* to-morrow, and in early editions on Saturday.

NEW KING'S COUNSEL.—There took place yesterday at the House of Lords the ceremony of swearing in newly-appointed King's Counsel, who were afterwards called within the Bar.